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CANAL TO HELP PREVENT FLOODS -- Zeri i Popullit, No 23, 27 Jan 50

Berat, 26 January -- Work began today on the construction of installations for regulating the Lepardhice system of mountain torrents. A canal 2,500 meters long, 35 meters wide, and 3.5 meters deep will be cut for this purpose. Two bridges, each 40 meters long, will be built over the canal.

A sum of 13,400,000 lek has been allocated for this project, which will protect from floods 900 hectares of land in the villages of Morave, Orize, Lepardhe, Tapi e Vogel, and Tapi e Madhe. This land is excellent for growing rice, cotton, and other industrial plants, but has not been productive in the past because of flood damage.

The canal will be cut by the "Ura" (Bridge) Enterprise. The villagers will contribute voluntary labor.

500,000 LEK FOR NEW CANALS -- Bashkimi, No 1593, 2 Feb 50

During the first quarter of 1950, work will begin on a system of canals at Juban and Pistall. A sum of 150,000 lek has been allocated for the Juban system during the first quarter. The new system at Juban will protect the Juban Canal and save a large area of land from flooding.

The Pistall system, for which 200,000 lek will be spent during the first quarter, will protect 100 hectares of land from flooding.

During the same period, work will continue on the Postribre Canal. A sum of 150,000 lek has been allocated for the first quarter. This canal will irrigate the villages of Drisht, Mes, and Myselim. A labor force of 100 workers and technicians is at work on the canal.

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LAKE DRAINAGE TO YIELD NEW LAND -- Dieili, No 5919, 15 Mar 50

Tirana, 16 February -- The drainage of Lake Maliq, to be completed by the end of 1950, will contribute about 4,500 hectares of new land to Albanian agriculture.

The state farm which will be established on the new land will grow sugar beets for the sugar factory at Maliq. About 500 people will work on the farm. This year, 27 houses for workers' families will be built at Maliq.

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